# Hate Crime Prosecution Survey

## **Data Set Overview and History**

The Department of Justice (DOJ) Criminal justice Statistics Center (CJSC) collects information on the prosecution of hate crimes. The Hate Crime Prosecution Survey (HCPS) data is submitted to the DOJ annually by district attorneys and elected city attorneys. Hate crime acts involves the intent to cause physical injury, emotional suffering, or property damage where there is a reasonable cause to believe that the crime was motivated by the victim's race, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or physical or mental disability.

The HCPS electronic file dates from 2004 to the present.

### **Statutory Authority**

The DOJ has the statutory authority to collect HCPS data pursuant to Penal Code section 13023(a).

## **Data Elements and Values Defined**

#### **Hate Crime Convictions**

Cell Location	Data Element	Definition	Value
A	YEAR	The Year the data was reported for.	A four digit number (YYYY)
В	AGENCY TYPE	Describes the type of agency submitting the data.	<ul><li>County DA</li><li>Elected City Attorney</li></ul>
С	AGENCY NAME	The County or City name the DA or City Attorney has jurisdiction over.	All 58 County name and some City names (changes over time).
D	TOTAL HATE CRIME CASES REFERRED	The total number of hate crime cases referred to the County DA or City Attorney.	Numeric count
E	TOTAL CASES FILED AS HATE CRIMES	The total number of referred cases that were filed as hate crimes.	Numeric count
F	TOTAL CASES FILED AS NON-BIAS MOTIVATED CRIMES	The total number of referred cases that were filed, but not as hate crimes.	Numeric count

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G	TOTAL DISPOSITIONS	The total number of	Numeric count
		dispositions.	
Н	NOT CONVICTED	The number of cases not	Numeric count
		resulting in a conviction.	
1	TOTAL CONVICTIONS	The total number of convictions	Numeric count
		(hate and non-hate).	
J	TOTAL HATE CRIME	The total number of hate crime	Numeric count
	CONVICTIONS	convictions.	
K	GUILTY PLEA/NOLO	The total number of hate crime	Numeric count
	CONTENDERE	convictions resulting in a guilty	
		or nolo contendere plea	
L	TRIAL VERDICT	The total number of hate crime	Numeric count
		convictions resulting from a	
		trial verdict.	
М	ALL OTHER	The total number of all non-	Numeric count
	CONVICTIONS	hate convictions.	